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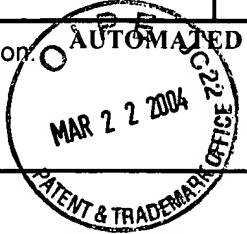
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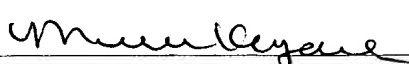
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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2004, Applicant states as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.